2001 ELECTION CALENDAR

LOCAL OFFICES

Each county which elects its local governing body by district must redistrict its local election districts based on the 2000 census population figures. In order to provide (i) for the timely completion of all phases of this process and (ii) give candidates a reasonable time frame in which to file, the State Board of Elections has set August 21, 2001 as the primary date and established deadlines applicable to primary and general elections. The deadlines provided below apply to boards of supervisors, school boards and, if no earlier election date was feasible, constitutional office vacancies.

		⁴ DEADLINES (PERIODS) FOR FILING				
ELECTION TYPE	ELECTION DATE	² CANDIDATE DECLARATIONS/ PETITIONS	² OTHER CANDIDATE FORMS	³ PARTY CHAIRS CERTIFY CANDIDATES	LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE	DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT
¹ Primary	August 21	July 9 noon	July 13	July 17	July 23	By Mail: August 16
		to	5:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	In Person: August 18
		July 13 5:00 p.m.				
		PARTY NOMINATIONS, OTHER THAN BY PRIMARY ELECTION, MAY BE MADE NO EARLIER THAN JULY 20 AND MUST BE COMPLETED BY 7:00 P.M., AUGUST 21.				
General	November 6	August 21	August 21	August 27	⁵October 9	By Mail: November 1
		7:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	In Person: November 3

Notification of adoption of primary must be filed with the State Board of Elections by the appropriate Party Chair no later than July 2, 2001.

WWW.SBE.STATE.VA.US OR from the State Board of Elections: VOICE: In the Richmond area, telephone 786-6551. Voice Toll-free: 800-552-9745 TTY Toll-free 800-260-3466.

ON ANY ELECTION DAY - WHETHER GENERAL, PRIMARY, OR SPECIAL - THE POLLS ARE REQUIRED TO OPEN AT 6:00 A.M. AND CLOSE AT 7:00 P.M.

²See Becoming A Candidate For Local Offices in November 2001 for specifics on what and where to be filed. The bulletin and forms are available on our web site:

³Forms for use in certification will be mailed to Party Chairs by State Board of Elections.

⁴Candidates for special elections held on November 6, 2001 to fill vacancies in local offices which occurred on or after July 10, 2000 and prior to November 7, 2000 must file all required forms no later than 7:00 p.m. on August 21, 2001. For such vacancies occurring on or after November 7, 2000 and prior to July 9, 2001, the deadline for all candidates to file all required forms and for political parties to nominate and certify nominees is 5:00 p.m., on August 24, 2001.

⁵Monday, October 8 is a legal holiday (Columbus Day). Therefore, the last day to register to vote is the next business day (Tuesday, October 9, 2001).